



**NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF
EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY**

October 30, 2015

To: North Carolina Secretary of State
North Carolina Attorney General
Office of State Budget and Management
Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee

From: North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry
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The following information for fiscal year 2014-2015 is submitted on behalf of this Board in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 93B-2:

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- (1) A Directory of the Members of the Board and Staff is attached.
- (1a) There are 1367 licensees
- (2) Sixty-four individuals applied for examination.
- (3) No one who is eligible to apply for examination is "refused" (*For eligibility see NCGS 90-90-118, 90-118.5 and Chapter 42B of the NCAC*).
- (4) Fifty-seven individuals appeared for examination.
- (5) Licenses were issued to thirty-six individuals as a result of the examinations.
- (5a) Twenty-one individuals failed the examinations.
- (6) The Board does not differentiate between applicants who have been licensed in other jurisdictions prior to applying for a North Carolina license and those applying immediately following graduation and who do not hold a license to practice elsewhere; all applicants are required to take the clinical/practicum examination.
- (7) See (2), (3), and (6) above
- (7a) Nineteen complaints were received by the Board.

- (7b) Four
- (8) Three
- (9) None
- (10) Anticipated fee increases to avoid deficits
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- (b) Copies of the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Audit will be submitted by October 31, 2015

cc: Board, Attorney
Waters & Matthis, CPAs, PLLC. – Attn: Bret Denning